

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
AT KNOXVILLE**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)	
)	No. 3:15-CR-154
v.)	
)	JUDGES REEVES / GUYTON
GEORGE MARCUS HALL)	

AGREED PRELIMINARY ORDER OF FORFEITURE

On November 5, 2015 an Information was filed charging the defendant, GEORGE MARCUS HALL, in Count One with conducting, financing, managing, supervising, directing and owning an illegal gambling operation in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1955, and in Count Two with conspiracy to commit money laundering in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(h).

In the forfeiture allegations of the Information in the above-styled case, the United States sought forfeiture of the interest of the defendant, GEORGE MARCUS HALL, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1955(d) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), in any property, including money, used in the offense in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1955(a), and pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), in any property, real or personal, which constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to the commission of the offense.

The United States also alleged forfeiture pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(a)(1), in any property real or personal, involved in the offense of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(h), and any property traceable to such property. The properties to be forfeited include but are not limited to the following:

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On November 5, 2015, a Plea Agreement was filed wherein the defendant, GEORGE MARCUS HALL, pled guilty to the offenses charged in the Information and agreed to the forfeiture of the properties set forth above.

On November 30, 2015, this Court accepted the guilty plea of the defendant GEORGE MARCUS HALL, and by virtue of the guilty plea and conviction, the Court has determined that the properties identified above are subject to forfeiture pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1955(d), 981(a)(1)(C), and 982(a)(1) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), and that the United States has established the requisite nexus between the properties and the offenses for seizure pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853, as incorporated by Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(b)(1), and Rule 32.2(b) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

Accordingly, it is hereby ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED:

1. That based upon the conviction of the defendant, GEORGE MARCUS HALL, for offenses in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1955 and 1956(h), the defendant agrees to forfeit the following properties pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1955(d), 981(a)(1)(C), and 982(a)(1) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c) and Rule 32.2(b) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure:

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2. That the aforementioned forfeited properties are to be held by the Department of Treasury, Internal Revenue Service, or its designated agency in its secure custody and control.

3. That pursuant to Rule G(5) of the Supplemental Rules for Admiralty or Maritime Claims and Asset Forfeiture Actions, the United States hereby gives notice of its intent to dispose of the forfeited properties in such a manner as the United States Secretary of Treasury may direct. The Notice shall provide that any person other than the defendant, having or claiming a legal interest in the above-listed forfeited properties must file a petition with the Court within sixty (60) days from the first day of publication of this Notice on the official United States Government internet website, which is www.forfeiture.gov.


4. The notice shall also state that the petition for a hearing to adjudicate the validity of the petitioner's alleged interest in the properties shall be signed by the petitioner under penalty of perjury and shall set forth the nature and extent of the petitioner's right, title and interest in the properties, the time and circumstances of the petitioner's acquisition of the right, title and interest in the properties and any additional facts supporting the petitioner's claim and the relief sought. The United States may also, to the extent practicable, provide direct written notice to any person, as a substitute for published notice as to those persons so notified.

5. That upon adjudication of all other or third-party interests in the properties, this Court will enter a Final Order of Forfeiture pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853, as incorporated by Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(b)(1), in which all interests will be addressed.

6. That the Court shall retain jurisdiction to enforce this Order, and to amend it as necessary, pursuant to the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure Rule 32.2(e).

7. That the Clerk of this Court shall provide a certified copy of this Order to the United States Attorney's Office.


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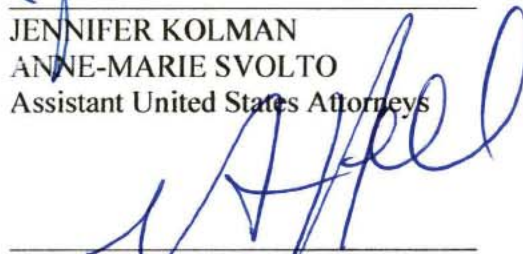

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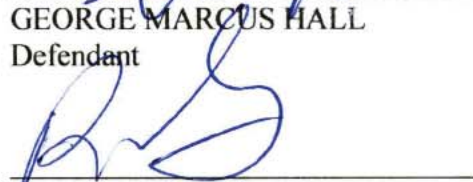
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